GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA

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KURUKSHETRA AS HERITAGE CITY
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to declare Kurukshetra as 'Heritage' city;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the State Government have sent any proposal for the development of this holy city; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) to (d): There is no formally sanctioned scheme under which a particular city is declared as Heritage City. However, the importance of Kurukshetra as a culturally significant city has been recognised and a number of redevelopment/improvement projects have been taken in hand.

The Department of Tourism, Government of India, has also identified the following projects for current financial year in consultation with the State Government:

1. Improvement/lighting of Purushottam Park, Kurukshetra;2. Renovation of Jyotisar, Kurukshetra;3. Greening of lawns at Jyotisar, Kurushetra; and 4. Sound and Light Show at Kurukshetra.